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FOR THE AMBASSADOR

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SUBJECT: GOALS AND TASKS FOR AMBASSADOR: INDIA

1. YOU WILL BE RECEIVING SEPARATELY A CIRCULAR INSTRUCTION REGARDING THIS REQUIREMENT. AS YOU CAN SEE, IT HAS BEEN MODIFIED SUBSTANTIALLY FROM THE EARLIER VERSION YOU SAW. WE WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR COMMENTS ON THE FOLLOWING DRAFT, INCLUDING POSSIBLE ADDITIONS (OR DELETIONS) OF SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES:

2. BEGIN QUOTE:

(I). STRENGTHENING OF BILATERAL RELATIONS.

-- EXPAND MUTUAL CONFIDENCE THROUGH INCREASED EXCHANGES OF HIGH LEVEL VISITS AND CORRESPONDENCE.

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-- FACILITATE AND PROMOTE CONGRESSIONAL VISITS TO INDIA.
-- NEGOTIATE BILATERAL CONSULAR CONVENTION.
-- NEGOTIATE A DOUBLE TAXATION AGREEMENT.
-- ENCOURAGE EXTENSIVE AND FREQUENT BILATERAL CONSULTATIONS ON REGIONAL AND GLOBAL ISSUES OF INTEREST TO BOTH COUNTRIES.
-- SECURE INDIAN AGREEMENT TO EXPANSION OF CALCUTTA CONSULAR DISTRICT TO COVER NE STATES.

(II). ENCOURAGE RESPONSIBLE INDIAN NUCLEAR POLICIES.

- PERSUADE INDIA TO AGREE TO FULL-SCOPE SAFEGUARDS.
- ENCOURAGE THE INDIAN GOVERNMENT TO CONTINUE TO ESCHEW PNES AND TO PARTICIPATE IN A COMPREHENSIVE NUCLEAR TEST BAN WHEN THIS IS NEGOTIATED.
- ENCOURAGE INDIA TO ADOPT NUCLEAR EXPORT POLICIES PARALLEL TO THOSE OF MAJOR SUPPLIERS.
- ENCOURAGE INDIA TO PARTICIPATE IN THE INTERNATIONAL NUCLEAR FUEL CYCLE EVALUATION PROGRAM.

(III). SUPPORT FOR REGIONAL STABILITY.

- ENCOURAGE AND SUPPORT THE GOI IN ITS EFFORTS TO IMPROVE ITS BILATERAL RELATIONS WITH NEIGHBORING COUNTRIES.
- ENCOURAGE CONTINUATION OF THE SIMLA PROCESS WITH PAKISTAN, INCLUDING ARMS/NUCLEAR ASSURANCES.

(IV). IMPROVEMENT IN BILATERAL COOPERATION IN GLOBAL ISSUES.

- STRENGTHEN BILATERAL COOPERATION BETWEEN INDIA AND THE U.S. ON ISSUES OF PARTICULAR CONCERN TO THE U.S. WHERE INDIA'S INFLUENCE IS STRONG IN THE MULTILATERAL FORA, INCLUDING MTN, UNCTAD, LOS NEGOTIATIONS.
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- ENCOURAGE THE INDIANS TO SPEAK OUT WHEN APPROPRIATE ON THE SOVIET NAVAL PRESENCE IN THE INDIAN OCEAN.

(V). ENCOURAGE BETTER BALANCE IN INDIA'S EXTERNAL RELATIONS.

- ENCOURAGE INDIA TO CONTINUE TO BRING ABOUT A BETTER BALANCE IN ITS RELATIONS WITH THE U.S. AND THE SOVIET UNION.
- RESPOND FAVORABLY TO INDIAN INTEREST IN DIVERSIFYING ITS SOURCES FOR MILITARY SUPPLIES, INCLUDING DIRECT SALES, CONSISTENT WITH OUR GLOBAL AND REGIONAL ARMS TRANSFER POLICIES.
- ENCOURAGE INDIA TO GRANT GREATER RECIPROCITY TO U.S. MILITARY ATTACHES AND CONSULAR PERSONNEL.
- FACILITATE U.S. NAVAL VISITS THROUGH MODIFICATION OF THE LALL FORMULA.
- (VI). ENHANCE ECONOMIC AND CULTURAL COOPERATION.

- PROMOTE THE EXPANSION AND THE DIVERSIFICATION OF U.S.-INDIA TRADE.
- ENCOURAGE THE INDIAN GOVERNMENT TO DEVELOP A MORE

POSITIVE FOREIGN INVESTMENT POLICY.

-- ENCOURAGE THE INDIAN GOVERNMENT TO RESOLVE OUTSTANDING

BILATERAL INVESTMENT, REMITTANCE AND ARBITRATION ISSUES.

-- DEVELOP A BILATERAL ASSISTANCE RELATIONSHIP AND ENCOURAGE NEW MULTILATERAL APPROACHES, E.G., EASTERN WATERS, WHICH ARE RESPONSIVE TO INDIAN NEEDS WHILE AVOIDING UNACCEPTABLE LEVELS OF INTRUSION.

-- EXPAND COOPERATION IN THE ENERGY FIELD, PARTICULARLY IN COAL AND SOLAR ENERGY RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT.

-- EXPAND USG-FINANCED EDUCATIONAL AND CULTURAL ACTIVITIES, INCLUDING ACADEMIC-SCHOLARLY EXCHANGES.

-- ENCOURAGE PRIVATE GROUPS IN BOTH COUNTRIES TO EXPAND THEIR TIES AND JOINT ACTIVITIES.

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-- ENCOURAGE INDIANS TO STREAMLINE THEIR COOPERATIVE SCIENTIFIC CLEARANCE PROCEDURES.
END QUOTE.

3. WOULD APPRECIATE REPLY BY OPENING OF BUSINESS AUGUST 26. CHRISTOPHER

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